

### ABSTRACT

A system and method for providing network-based functionality to a spreadsheet includes, the client side, a personal computer application which is augmented with network-  
5 enabling software that provides users with new network-based functionality that can be accessed within the personal computer application. The network-enabling software of the present invention enables users to generate and modify spreadsheets by embedding network-enabling objects that can launch and make use of network-based functionality from within the personal computer application. The invention further includes remote server support for the network-enabling software that augments the personal computer application, and as well as support for the resulting spreadsheet.